

DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

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2001

NASA nears first X-43A hypersonic flight

The first of three scheduled test flights of NASA's X-43A and its hypersonic engine could come as early as Saturday at Dryden Flight Research Center, Edwards, Calif. A second flight is scheduled for this winter and a final X-43A flight is set for late next year. The X-43A, 12-feet long with a 5-foot wingspan, will be dropped from a B-52 bomber flying from Dryden. After being boosted by a Pegasus rocket, the X-43A will fly at speeds approaching Mach 7 before splashing into the Pacific Ocean.

Facilities work order information available at: <http://inside.msfc.nasa.gov/CMMS/>

Please recycle cardboard. Do not dispose as trash in dumpsters.

Administrator's testimony on Alaska to be replayed Friday

NASA Administrator Dan Goldin gave testimony Tuesday for the Alaska Climate Change Hearing. This testimony will replay Friday on NASA TV at noon-2 p.m.; 3-5 p.m.; 6-8 p.m. and 9-11 p.m.

Database developed for personal safety stories

A database has been created to capture stories of mishaps that Marshall employees have experienced and the lessons learned from these experiences. Submit your personal stories to: <http://msfcsma3.msfc.nasa.gov/ichthy/>

Check out status of International Space Station on the Web at: <http://scipoc.msfc.nasa.gov>